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is define by a front half portion and a back half portion and said illumination member is associated with the front half portion of said body member.

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19. (Twice Amended) The motorcycle gasoline tank or motorcycle hollow body shell of claim 17 wherein a portion of said body member is removed and at least a portion of said illumination member is disposed therein.

20. (Twice Amended) The motorcycle gasoline tank or motorcycle hollow body shell of claim 17 wherein said illumination member performs the function of a turn signal.

21. (Twice Amended) The motorcycle gasoline tank or motorcycle hollow body shell of claim 17 further including means for energizing said illumination member.

22. (Twice Amended) A method for constructing a motorcycle gasoline tank which includes an illumination member for use with a motorcycle, the motorcycle having a frame, the motorcycle gasoline tank attached to said frame, said method comprising the steps:

(a) providing a body member in the shape of a motorcycle gasoline tank; and

(b) associating an illumination member with said body member

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so that said illumination member illuminates a surrounding area of
the motorcycle to which said body member is attached.

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23. (Twice Amended) The method of claim 22 wherein step (b)
includes associating the illumination member with a front half
portion of said body member, wherein said front half portion is
closest to a front area of the motorcycle to which said body
member is attached.

24. (Amended) The method of claim 22 wherein step (b)
comprises the steps of removing a portion of said body member and
disposing at least a portion of said illumination member therein.

25. (Amended) The method of claim 22 further comprising the
step of providing means for energizing said illumination member.

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26. (Twice Amended) An illumination device attached to a
motorcycle gasoline tank or a motorcycle hollow body shell
disposed where a conventional motorcycle gasoline tank is normally
disposed, said illumination device comprising:

a body member adapted for attachment to the motorcycle
gasoline tank or motorcycle hollow body shell, and

an illumination member attached to said body member;

wherein said illumination member provides light to illuminate